

The Office of Disability Prevention for Children (ODPC)

Purpose and Goals

ODPC strives to:

- Prevent developmental disabilities in children ages 0-12
- Minimize the losses caused by preventable disabilities
- Coordinate a unified, comprehensive prevention effort

Levels of Prevention

Primary Prevention

Prevent the onset of disability

Secondary Prevention

Detecting the disability in its earliest stages and intervening to slow or stop its progression

Tertiary Prevention

Interventions to stop or slow the progression of a disability to mitigate its negative consequences

Duties

- Educate the public and attempt to promote sound public policy regarding the prevention of developmental disabilities (DD)
- Identify, collect, and disseminate information and data concerning the causes, frequency of occurrence, and preventability of DD
- Work with appropriate divisions within the commission, state agencies, and other entities to develop a coordinated longrange plan to effectively monitor and reduce the incidence or severity of DD
- Promote and facilitate the identification, development, coordination, and delivery of needed prevention services
- Identify and encourage establishment of needed reporting systems to track the causes and frequency of DD
- Develop, operate, and monitor programs addressing the prevention of specific targeted DD
- Monitor and assess the effectiveness of divisions within the commission and of state agencies in preventing DD
- Recommend the role each division within the commission and each state agency should have with regard to prevention of DD
- Facilitate coordination of state agency prevention services and activities within the commission and among appropriate state agencies
- Encourage cooperative, comprehensive, and complementary planning among public, private, and volunteer individuals and organizations engaged in prevention activities, providing prevention services, or conducting related research

Year One: FY 2018

- Stakeholder meetings
- Primary prevention
- Environmental scan

Year Two: FY 2019

- Report to the legislature
- Primary prevention
- Continue projects, partnerships, and stakeholder meetings

Years Three to Five: FY 2020—FY2022

- Primary, secondary, and tertiary prevention
- Continue projects, partnerships, and stakeholder meetings

This could be affected by legislative sessions and funding.